

**Maryland Board of Pharmacy  
Public Board Meeting**

**Meeting Minutes  
February 15, 2017**

Name	Title	Present	Absent	Present	Absent
<b>Board Committee</b>					
Ashby, D.	Commissioner		X		
Bouyoukas, S.	Commissioner	X			
Gavgani, M. Z.	Commissioner/President	X			
Hardesty, J.	Commissioner	X			
Morgan, K.	Commissioner	X			
Peters, R.	Commissioner	X			
Robinson, T.	Commissioner	X			
Rochester, C.	Commissioner/Treasurer	X			
Roy, S.	Commissioner	X			
St. Cyr, II, Z. W.	Commissioner/Secretary	X			
Yankellow, E.	Commissioner	X			
Zagnit, B.	Commissioner	X			
<b>Board Counsel</b>					
Bethman, L.	Board Counsel	X			
Felter, B.	Staff Attorney	X			
<b>Board Staff</b>					
Speights-Napata, D.	Executive Director	X			
Fields, E.	Deputy Director of Operations	X			
Wu, Y.	Compliance Manager	X			
Page, A.	Executive Administrative Associate	X			
Logan, B.	Legislation/Regulations Manager	X			

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I. Executive Committee Report(s)	<p>A.) M. Gavgani, Board President</p> <p>B.) Z. St, Cyr, II, Secretary</p>	<p><i>Members of the Board with a conflict of interest relating to any item on the agenda are advised to notify the Board at this time or when the issue is addressed in the agenda.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. M. Gavgani called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM.</li> <li>2. M. Gavgani requested that Board commissioners introduce themselves and also informed guests that the meeting agenda and packet materials were available for review. She advised guests that all packets must be returned at the end of the meeting.</li> <li>3. M. Gavgani reminded all guests to sign the guest log, indicating whether they would like continuing education credits.</li> <li>4. Review and approval of the January 2017 Public Meeting Minutes.</li> </ol>	<p>4. Motion to approve January 2017 Public Meeting Minutes by S. Bouyoukas, 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Roy.</p>	<p>4. The Board voted to approve this motion.</p>
II. A. Executive Director Report	D. Speights-Napata, Executive Director	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Operations Updates               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. HIV/STI Infectious Disease Presentation –Kip Castner, MSP, Chief Center for HIV/STI Integration and Capacity</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Discussion centered on pharmacy dispensing of needles without a prescription as a means of combatting infectious diseases among certain populations in Maryland.</li> </ol>	

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		<p><b>b. Social Media Plan 2017 Presentation</b> – further discussion about social media at next PR committee meeting – Janey Partin, MIS Staff</p> <p><b>c.</b> Commissioner Financial Disclosures</p> <p><b>d.</b> Update on new Licensing manager</p> <p><b>2. Meetings Update</b></p>	<p>b. Social Media Presentation- further discussion to take place at the next Public Relations Committee.</p> <p>c. Due April 2017</p> <p>d. Due to start March 2017</p> <p>2. None.</p>																					
<b>B. Operations Report</b>	<b>E. Fields, Deputy Director/ Operations</b>	<p><b>MIS Unit Updates</b></p> <p><b>a. Procurement for Systems Engineer to develop online portal for field inspectors to access and input data</b></p> <p><b>b. Online renewal for Wholesale Distributors update</b></p>	The Systems Engineer procurement and Wholesale Distributor online renewal efforts are proceeding on schedule.																					
<b>C. Licensing</b>	<b>Y. Wu, Compliance Manager</b>	<p><b>1. Unit Updates</b></p> <p><b>2. Monthly Statistics</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>License Type</th><th>New</th><th>Renewed</th><th>Reinstated</th><th>Total</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Distributor</td><td>6</td><td>2</td><td>0</td><td>1196</td></tr> <tr> <td>Pharmacy</td><td>11</td><td>0</td><td>2</td><td>2068</td></tr> <tr> <td>Pharmacist</td><td>38</td><td>445</td><td>0</td><td>11300</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	License Type	New	Renewed	Reinstated	Total	Distributor	6	2	0	1196	Pharmacy	11	0	2	2068	Pharmacist	38	445	0	11300		
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			Vaccination	23	11	0	4375		
			Pharmacy Intern - Graduates	3	0	0	43		
			Pharmacy Intern - Students	23	20	0	839		
			Pharmacy Technician	152	270	8	9626		
D. Compliance	Y. Wu, Compliance Manager	<b>1. Unit Updates</b> <b>2. Monthly Statistics</b> <b>Complaints &amp; Investigations:</b>  New Complaints - 47 Resolved (Including Carryover) – 34 Actions within Goal – 24/34 Final disciplinary actions taken – 11 Summary Actions Taken – 2 Average days to complete - 0  <b>Inspections:</b>  Total - 159 Annual Inspections - 150 Opening Inspections - 5 Closing Inspections - 0 Relocation/Change of Ownership Inspections - 1 Board Special Investigation Inspections –3  Division of Drug Control Closing Inspections – 3							
E. Legislation & Regulations	B. Logan, Legislation and	<b><u>Regulations:</u></b>							

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	Regulations Manager	<p>1. <b>COMAR 10.34.02.03 D</b> in response to passage of <b>(CH0476) Proof of Proficiency in English</b></p> <p>2. <b>COMAR 10.34.18 Task Force Recommendation, Response to Sandra Yankowsky COMAR 10.34.18</b></p> <p><b><u>Legislation:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>HB63- Health Care Practitioners - Cost Estimate Notice – Required</u></b></p> <p><b><u>HB275- Department of Health and Mental Hygiene - Recommended Courses in Military Culture</u></b></p> <p><b><u>HB316- State Board of Pharmacy - Dispensing of Drugs Containing Controlled Dangerous Substances – Requirements</u></b></p> <p><b><u>HB582- Pharmacies - Availability of Generically Equivalent Drugs</u></b></p> <p><b><u>HB584- Investigational Drugs, Biological Products, and Devices - Right to Try Act</u></b></p> <p><b><u>HB613- Pharmacists - Contraceptives - Prescribing and Dispensing</u></b></p> <p><b><u>HB628- Secretaries of Principal Departments - Supervision and Review of Decisions and Actions by Units Within Departments</u></b></p>	<p>2. Motion to approve response as prepared, 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Rochester.</p> <p>HB63- Letter of concern to be submitted. Motion to approve letter as prepared, 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Roy.</p> <p>HB275- No Position</p> <p>HB316- No Position (Note: cross-filed bill is S428)</p> <p>HB582 was withdrawn.</p> <p>HB584- No Position</p> <p>HB613-No Position (Note: cross-filed bill is S363)</p> <p>HB628- No Position (Note: cross filed bill is S517; Board of Physicians is expected to propose amendments.)</p>	<p>2. The Board voted to approve this motion.</p> <p>HB63- The Board Approved this motion.</p> <p>HB275- The Board concurred by consensus.</p> <p>HB316- The Board concurred by consensus.</p> <p>HB584- The Board concurred by consensus.</p> <p>HB613- The Board concurred by consensus.</p> <p>HB628- The Board concurred by consensus.</p>

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		<p><b><u>HB661- Public Health - Suspected Overdoses - Reporting Requirement</u></b></p> <p><b><u>HB668- Health Occupations Boards - Regulations and Policy Interpretations - Notice and Public Meeting Requirements</u></b></p> <p><b><u>HB856- Co-Prescribing Naloxone Saves Lives Act of 2017</u></b></p> <p><b><u>HB998- Licensed Pharmacists - Risks of Opioid Addiction – Notifications</u></b></p> <p><b><u>HB1031- State Board of Pharmacy - Registered Pharmacy Technicians - Exemption for Pharmacy Students</u></b></p> <p><b><u>HB1103- Health Insurance and Pharmacy Benefits Managers - Reimbursement for and Provision of Pharmacy Services</u></b></p> <p><b><u>HB1159- Pharmacists - Dispensing of Prescription Drugs - Single Dispensing of Dosage Units</u></b></p> <p><b><u>SB110- Public Health - Expedited Partner Therapy - Pharmacist Dispensing</u></b></p> <p><b><u>SB-997 Pharmacists - Substitution and Dispensing of Biological Products</u></b></p>	<p>HB661- Motion to submit letter of concern to C. Rochester, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Zagnit.</p> <p>HB668- Motion to submit letter of concern by C. Rochester, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Zagnit.</p> <p>HB856- No Position</p> <p>HB998- Motion to submit letter of concern by E. Yankellow, 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Roy.</p> <p>HB1031- Motion to submit letter of support by C. Rochester, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Zagnit.</p> <p>HB1103- No Position</p> <p>HB1159- Motion to submit letter of support by C. Rochester, 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Bouyoukas.</p> <p>SB110-Motion to submit letter of support by committee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Bouyoukas.</p> <p>SB997- No Position</p>	<p>HB661- The Board voted to approve this motion.</p> <p>HB668- The Board voted to approve this motion.</p> <p>HB856- The Board concurred by consensus.</p> <p>HB998- The Board voted to approve this motion.</p> <p>HB1031- The Board voted to approve this motion.</p> <p>HB1103- The Board concurred by consensus.</p> <p>HB1159- The Board voted to approve this motion.</p> <p>SB110- The Board voted to approve this motion.</p> <p>SB997- The Board concurred by consensus.</p>

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<b>III. Committee Reports</b> <b>A. Practice Committee</b>	C. Rochester, Chair	<i>None at this time.</i>		
<b>B. Licensing Committee</b>	D. Ashby, Chair	<p><b>1. Review of Pharmacist Applications:</b></p> <p>a. <b>A. Ghabra</b>- Reciprocity applicant would like to have the 520 intern hour requirement waived. She no longer lives in West Virginia, which is her original licensing state. She lived overseas from 2010 until October 2016.  <u>Licensing Committee's Recommendation:</u>  Deny</p> <p>b. <b>A. Nagarsekar</b> – Applicant is requesting to use hours worked as licensed pharmacy technician as eligible hours toward the NAPLEX. States this will help her immensely in achieving her goal of becoming a registered pharmacist.  <u>Licensing Committee's Recommendation:</u>  Deny</p> <p>c. <b>F. Ferkle</b>- Pharmacist requesting to have reinstatement requirements waived due to the mixed information given to her through numerous phone calls to the Board of Pharmacy.  <u>Licensing Committee's Recommendation:</u>  Deny</p> <p>d. <b>M. Tesfarmariam</b>- Reciprocity applicant requesting that the Technician hours she acquired be used towards the 60 intern hours needed to meet the 1560 hour requirement.</p>	<p>1a. Motion by committee to deny, 2<sup>nd</sup> by T. Robinson.</p> <p>1b. Motion by committee to deny, 2<sup>nd</sup> by K. Morgan.</p> <p>1c. Motion by committee to deny, 2<sup>nd</sup> by T. Robinson.</p> <p>1d. Motion by committee to deny, 2<sup>nd</sup> by K. Morgan.</p>	<p>1a. The Board voted to approve this motion.</p> <p>1b. The Board voted to approve this motion.</p> <p>1c. The Board voted to approve this motion.</p> <p>1d. The Board voted to approve this motion.</p>





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		<p>for closure notification and include questions regarding disciplinary actions and/or recent inspection issues.  <u>Licensing Committee's Recommendation:</u> Approve</p> <p>c. <b>Ownership Change Applications-</b> Requesting that a page be created for all change of ownership applications. This would be completed by the current owner to include questions about disciplinary actions and/or recent inspections issues.  <u>Licensing Committee's Recommendation:</u> Approve</p> <p>d. <b>Renewal notice for distributors</b></p>	<p>7c. Motion by committee to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by K. Morgan.</p> <p>7d. Motion by committee to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Zagnit.</p>	<p>7c. The Board voted to approve this motion.</p> <p>7d. The Board voted to approve this motion.</p>
C. Public Relations Committee	B. Zagnit, Chair	<p><b>Public Relations Committee Update:</b></p> <p>a. <b>Newsletter Update</b> – Articles are being solicited</p> <p>b. <b>2017 Continuing Education Breakfast Update</b> - Medical marijuana and legal issues will be two of the topics addressed.</p> <p>c. <b>MPhA (Maryland Pharmacy Association) Conference</b> - Commissioners B. Zagnit and E. Yankellow attended.</p>		

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<b>D. Disciplinary</b>	<b>T. Robinson, Chair</b>	<b>Disciplinary Committee Update:</b> <i>None at this time.</i>		
<b>E. Emergency Preparedness Task Force</b>	<b>S. Roy, Chair</b>	<b>Emergency Preparedness Update:</b>  Point of Dispensing exercise to take place at Shady Grove in March 2017.		
<b>IV. Other Business &amp; FYI</b>	<b>M. Gavgani, President</b>	A member of the public (a pharmacist) in attendance remarked that the CRISP website is very slow and needs to be speeded up.	The comment will be passed along to the state agency responsible for CRISP operation.	
<b>V. Adjournment</b>	<b>M. Gavgani, President</b>	<p><b>M. Gavgani asked for a motion to close the Public Meeting and open a Closed Public Session at 11:25 A.M.</b></p> <p><b>M. Gavgani convened a Closed Public Session for the purpose of engaging in medical review committee deliberations regarding confidential information in applications in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, General Provisions Article, Section3-305 (b) (7) and (13).</b></p> <p><b>The Closed Public Session was adjourned and, immediately thereafter, M. Gavgani convened an Administrative Session for purposes of discussing confidential disciplinary cases.</b></p> <p><b>With the exception of cases requiring recusals, the Board members present at the Public Meeting continued to participate in the Administrative Session.</b></p>	Motion to close the February 2017 Public Board Meeting by B. Zagnit, 2 <sup>nd</sup> by K. Morgan.	The Board voted to approve this motion.